

Minutes of the Bethel Board of Education Regular Meeting held on September 22, 2016, in Board of Education Conf. Room E.

Attendance: None.

Administrative Attendance: C. Carver, K. Brooks, T. Yonsky, C. Troetti, D. Legnard, T. Soucy, A. Salerno, N. DaPonte, S. Budris

L. Craybas, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board Members Present: Attendance Taken at 7:04 PM:

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman

Mr. Larry Craybas

Mr. Bill Foster

Mr. Nicholas Hoffman

Mrs. Kristen Lacey

Mrs. Courtney Martin

Mrs. Melanie O'Brien

Absent Board Members:

Mr. Scott Clayton

Mrs. Robin Renner

Updated Attendance:

Mrs. Courtney Martin was updated to present at: 7:06 PM

1. Call to Order

1.A. Roll Call for Quorum

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

Motion Passed: Move to add to the agenda Item #10 - Executive Session - CGS 1-210(b)9 - Negotiations passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman Yes

Mr. Scott Clayton Absent

Mr. Larry Craybas Yes

Mr. Bill Foster Yes

Mr. Nicholas Hoffman Yes

Mrs. Kristen Lacey Yes

Mrs. Courtney Martin Yes

Mrs. Melanie O'Brien Yes

Mrs. Robin Renner Absent

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2. Board Recognition/A Salute to Excellence

The Board recognized Lt. Commander Mark Dwinells and Master Sgt Meehan's NJROTC Unit for completing Leadership Academy 2016. Over 7000 cadets in the northeast region attended. The Board recognized BHS parent, Mrs. Chrissy Sholtes, for volunteering to attend to be the "Med Mom" for 160 cadets.

3. BOARD REPORTS - PROGRESS TOWARDS DISTRICT INITIATIVES

3.A. Strategic Plan & Student Outcomes Update - Fall 2016

Dr. Carver updated the Board of Education on the Strategic Focus Area: All Students Can Learn for literacy and mathematics. She reported on the key action steps achieved, resources allocated to support the efforts and an overview of the results of assessments.

4. Consent Calendar

4.A. Approval of Minutes

4.B. Minutes - August 25, 2016

Motion Passed: Move to approve the minutes of August 25, 2016 passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Absent
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Absent

5. Correspondence

None.

6. Audience Participation

None.

7. Administrative/Board Member Update

Dr. Carver informed the Board she will be attending the Board of Finance meeting on Oct. 11 along with Maloney and MacBroom to answer any questions regarding the turf field.

SAVE THE DATES:

- The Bethel Education Association will hold their annual "Ladies Night Out" on Tuesday, October 25th at Micheal on the Grove at 6:30 PM.
- The 2017 Barnum Ball will be held on March 18th.

PA 189 - Policy 5145.15 needs to be amended to include student email.

Renovation Tours:

October 5th (Wednesday) at 6:00 PM for parents who signed up on list to get more information. Tours will be at both Rockwell and Johnson concurrently.

October 8th at 9:00 AM (Saturday) or October 13th (Thursday) at 6:00 PM - Both tours will start at Rockwell and go to Johnson for Board of Selectman, Board of Finance, Planning and Zoning, and Building Committee members.

District Enrollment: 2992 (with some pending registrations) on 9/21/16. Preliminary ELL numbers 120 (approximately 10 more students than last year).

Playground update: The PTO's and BEF are interested in working collaboratively to help support the funding of new playgrounds. They will hold a joint meeting to discuss the details.

8. Reports to the Board

8.A. Policy

8.A.1. First Reading

8.A.1.a. Regulation 3541 - Transportation

Regulation was revised to specifically reflect magnet school transportation and grandfathering current students till they graduate. Also revised the section on single day changes in bus assignment to apply K-8. The previous regulation had only been for students in grades K-3. All of these changes were communicated to parents via email and in the newsletter at the beginning of the school year.

8.A.1.b. Policy 5145 - Sexual Abuse Prevention and Education Program

Motion Passed: Move to approve first reading of Policy 5145 - Sexual Abuse Prevention and Education Program passed with a motion by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Absent
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes

Mrs. Robin Renner	Absent
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8.A.1.c. Policy 6141 - Migrant Students

Motion Passed: Move to approve first reading - Policy 6141 - Migrant Students passed with a motion by Mrs. Kristen Lacey and a second by Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Absent
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Absent

8.A.1.d. Policy 3523.11 - Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drones)

Committee discussed two essential components, use of drones by the public and by our students as part of the instructional program. Discussed the possible need for two separate policies.

8.B. Facilities

8.B.1. Community Outreach, Alignment & Communication Committee Update

The committee met to develop a communication/advocacy strategy for Johnson and Rockwell Renovations and create a communications plan, timelines and system to recruit volunteers.

9. Executive Session

9.A. CT General Statutes 1-210(b)(9) Negotiations

Motion Passed: Move to enter into Executive Session at 8:44 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Bill Foster.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Absent
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Absent

Motion Passed: Move to come out of Executive Session at 9:02 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Absent
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Absent

10. Adjourn

Motion Passed: Move to adjourn at 9:05 PM passed with a motion by Mr. Larry Craybas and a second by Mr. Nicholas Hoffman.

Mrs. Jennifer Ackerman	Yes
Mr. Scott Clayton	Absent
Mr. Larry Craybas	Yes
Mr. Bill Foster	Yes
Mr. Nicholas Hoffman	Yes
Mrs. Kristen Lacey	Yes
Mrs. Courtney Martin	Yes
Mrs. Melanie O'Brien	Yes
Mrs. Robin Renner	Absent

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Pare
Board Recorder